

Request for City Council Committee Action

Date: February 19, 2002

To: Community Development Committee
Referral to: Ways & Means / Budget Committee

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Approved by: Robert D. Miller, Director _____

Subject: Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP Funds for Longfellow

Summary of the Request: Approve of the use of up to \$50,000 of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for playground improvements at Hiawatha Playground in the Longfellow neighborhood.

Recommendation:

- (1) Approve the use of up to \$50,000 of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5% NRP funds to support playground improvements at Hiawatha Playground in the Longfellow neighborhood;
- (2) Amend the 2002 Minneapolis Community Development Agency ("MCDA") Appropriation Resolution by increasing NRP Program Fund CNR0 by \$50,000;
- (3) Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements needed to implement this request;
- (4) Refer this report to the MCDA Board of Commissioners for authorization of the appropriate MCDA officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement this request.

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The Honorable Lisa Goodman, Chair
Community Development Committee
Minneapolis City Council
315 City Hall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415

The Honorable Barbara Johnson, Chair
Ways and Means Committee
Minneapolis City Council
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Re: Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" Funds for Longfellow

Dear Chairpersons Goodman and Johnson:

At its meeting on January 28, 2002 the Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board approved the use of up to \$50,000 of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for playground improvements at Hiawatha Playground in the Longfellow neighborhood.

The Policy Board adopted the Longfellow Neighborhood NRP Action Plan on January 22, 1996 and the City Council adopted it on February 23, 1996. In the Youth Section of the plan, Strategy 7 "School / Community Partnerships" the neighborhood set aside matching funds and approved support of Hiawatha Playground improvements. The neighborhood's funds have been allocated and expended. City Council action is now needed to approve the use of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds.

On January 28, 2002 the Policy Board passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board approves the use of up to \$50,000 of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for playground improvements at Hiawatha Playground in the Longfellow neighborhood.

Pursuant to this resolution, I make the following recommendations for consideration by your committees:

RECOMMENDATION:

- (5) Approve the use of \$50,000 of Minneapolis Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds to support playground improvements at Hiawatha Playground in the Longfellow neighborhood;
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- (7) Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements needed to implement this request;
- (8) Refer this report to the MCDA Board of Commissioners for authorization of the appropriate MCDA officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement this request.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Miller
Director